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BLACK PANTHER

**BLOOD
HUNT**

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T'CHALLA USED TO BE THE KING OF WAKANDA UNTIL THE NATION BECAME A DEMOCRACY AND EXILED THEIR FORMER RULER. BUT AS THE BLACK PANTHER, EMPOWERED BY THE HEART-SHAPED HERB AND THE CHAMPION OF THE GODDESS BAST, HE REMAINS WAKANDA'S PROTECTOR...

BLACK PANTHER

BLOOD HUNT

PREVIOUSLY

The **DARKFORCE DIMENSION** has erupted and created an eternal night, allowing vampires everywhere to launch a brutal attack against humanity! **BLADE** leads the vampires—and has turned **BLACK PANTHER** into a vampire as well, sending him to Wakanda in search of a temple that is key to his plans! Unbeknownst to T'Challa, Blade is possessed by **VARNAE**, the first vampire. The panther goddess **BAST** remembers how the gods encountered Varnae eons ago and failed to stop him. To avoid repeating their mistakes, Bast has enlisted the aid of the river goddess **ANUKET**, who brought T'Challa to the temple gates—where he was confronted by angry **ATLANTEANS**...

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INDIAN OCEAN.
ATLANTEAN TEMPLE RUINS.
SUNDEATH: 31:09:15.

YOU SHOULD
NOT HAVE
COME HERE
WAKANDAN!

FWAP

I AM NOT
HERE AS AN ACT
OF AGGRESSION,
ATLANTEAN.



YOU JEST!
YOUR VERY
PRESENCE IN THESE
WATERS IS AN
INSULT!

I'VE ONLY
COME TO RECLAIM
THAT WHICH ONCE SAT
UPON WAKANDAN SOIL.
A TEMPLE OF NO USE
TO YOUR
PEOPLE.

ANCIENT
RUINS.



RUINS OR NOT,
DO YOU EXPECT
ME TO BELIEVE YOUR
PEOPLE ONCE
HEWN ATLANTIAN
STONE?

AS MUCH AS
I BELIEVE YOUR
PEOPLE CRAFTED THE
VIBRANIUM GATEWAY
BEFORE IT.

HRM, THEN
WE ARE AT AN
IMPASSE, LAND-DWELLER.
FOR WHAT THE GODS
HAVE RETURNED TO THESE
WATERS WILL NEVER BE
RELINQUISHED.



THIS IS A DISCUSSION BEST HAD
WITH YOUR KING, YES? WHY
NOT SUMMON HIM?

I DO NOT
NEED TO SEEK
NAMOR'S COUNSEL
BECAUSE YOU HOLD
NO POWER HERE! I
SPEAK TO YOU AS
AN EQUAL!



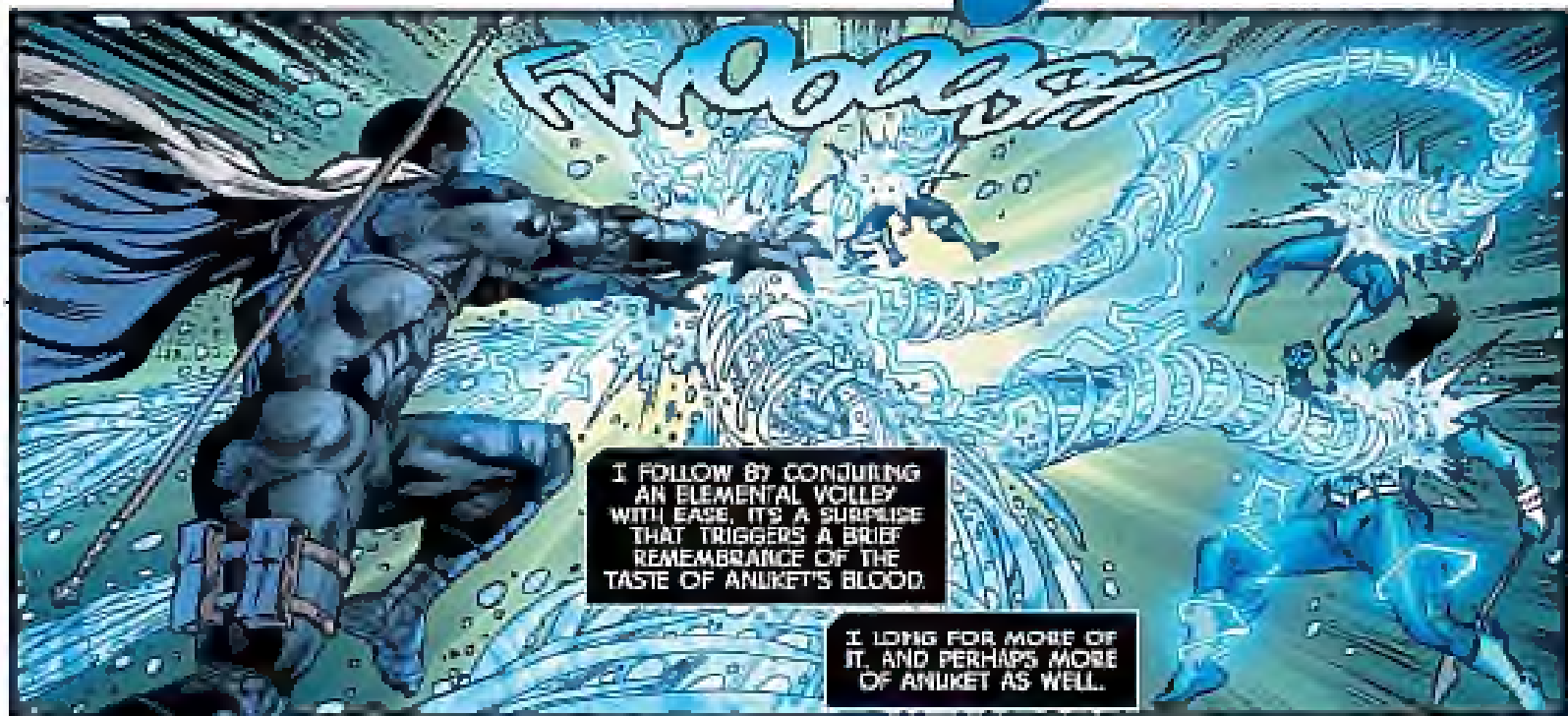
BELEIVING ME
YOUR EQUAL
WAS YOUR FIRST
MISTAKE.

KEEEAAAARRRRGH!

FLY IT
DON'T YACK
LAST.

I MOVE ON
INSTINCT.

AN ELECTRIC PULSE
SURGES WITHIN ME--
A LINGERING
FRAGMENT OF POWER
GIFTED BY THE RIVER
GODDESS ANUKET.



I FOLLOW BY CONJURING
AN ELEMENTAL VOLLEY
WITH EASE. IT'S A SURPRISE
THAT TRIGGERS A BRIEF
REMEMBRANCE OF THE
TASTE OF ANUKET'S BLOOD.

I LONG FOR MORE OF
IT, AND PERHAPS MORE
OF ANUKET AS WELL.



BUT AFFAIRS OF THE HEART ARE
OF NO CONCERN TO ONE WITH
A HEART THAT DOES NOT BEAT.

AS LONG AS I REMAIN A SCION
OF BLADE'S, MY WILL IS NOT
COMPLETELY MY OWN, AND THE
MISSION REMAINS PARAMOUNT.

THE TEMPLE
CALLS TO ME.

MSITU WA DHABIHU,
WAKANDAN NATURE
PRESERVE.

SUNDEATH: 31:19:04

IT IS
DONE.

WHAT WAS
DONE? HAS VARNAE'S
TEMPLE BEEN
DESTROYED?

I DO
NOT KNOW,
BASTI

YOU ARE
INSUFFERABLE.

CAREFUL,
ANUKET. MY PATIENCE
IS AS THIN AS YOU
ARE SHALLOW.

NOW,
WHERE IS
T'CHALLAH?

AT THE
ATLANTIAN RUINS!
EXACTLY WHERE I
PROMISED TO GUIDE HIM!



YOU DIDN'T
STAY TO AND HUA
IN HIS QUEST? MAKE
CERTAIN THAT THE
DEMON'S HOLD
UPON HIM HAD BEEN
SEVERED!

THAT WAS
NEVER AGREED UPON!
AND I SHOULD THINK
THE GIFT OF MY BLOOD
WOULD SUFFICE! HOW MUCH
SHOULD I BE EXPECTED
TO SACRIFICE FOR
THIS LAND?

AFTER ALL,
THESE MATTERS
ARE OF NO CONCERN
TO ME. T'CHALLA IS
YOUR CHAMPION,
NOT AME.



THOUGH PERHAPS
IF HE RETURNS, I CAN
CONVINCE HIM TO SEEK
OUT UNCHARTED
WATERS.

HAHAHA, YOUR
DOMINION SUITS
YOU, ANUKET.

THE BOWEL OF
THE NILE IS WHERE
YOU BELONG—FOR YOU
ARE AS SLIPPERY AS A
RIVER SNAKE!



AGREED
AND AS
WET.

DO YOU WISH
TO SEE THE MIGHT
OF A TRUE GOD?
A POWER
EVERLASTING?

A POWER TO
BURN EVERYTHING
YOU HAVE EVER
WROUGHT TO
ASH!



BEAR WITNESS, DEMON!

HISSESSSSSSSSSS

KOKOKU, CEASE THIS FOOLISHNESS!

AEEEEEEEEEEEEEE!

BEAR WITNESS TO A FORCE THAT IS ETERNAL!

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YOU HAVE PROVEN YOUR WORTH, BROTHER! ALLOW THIS LAND ITS REST!

HE IS BEYOND REASON, PTAH!

I MUST BRING KOKOU DOWN!

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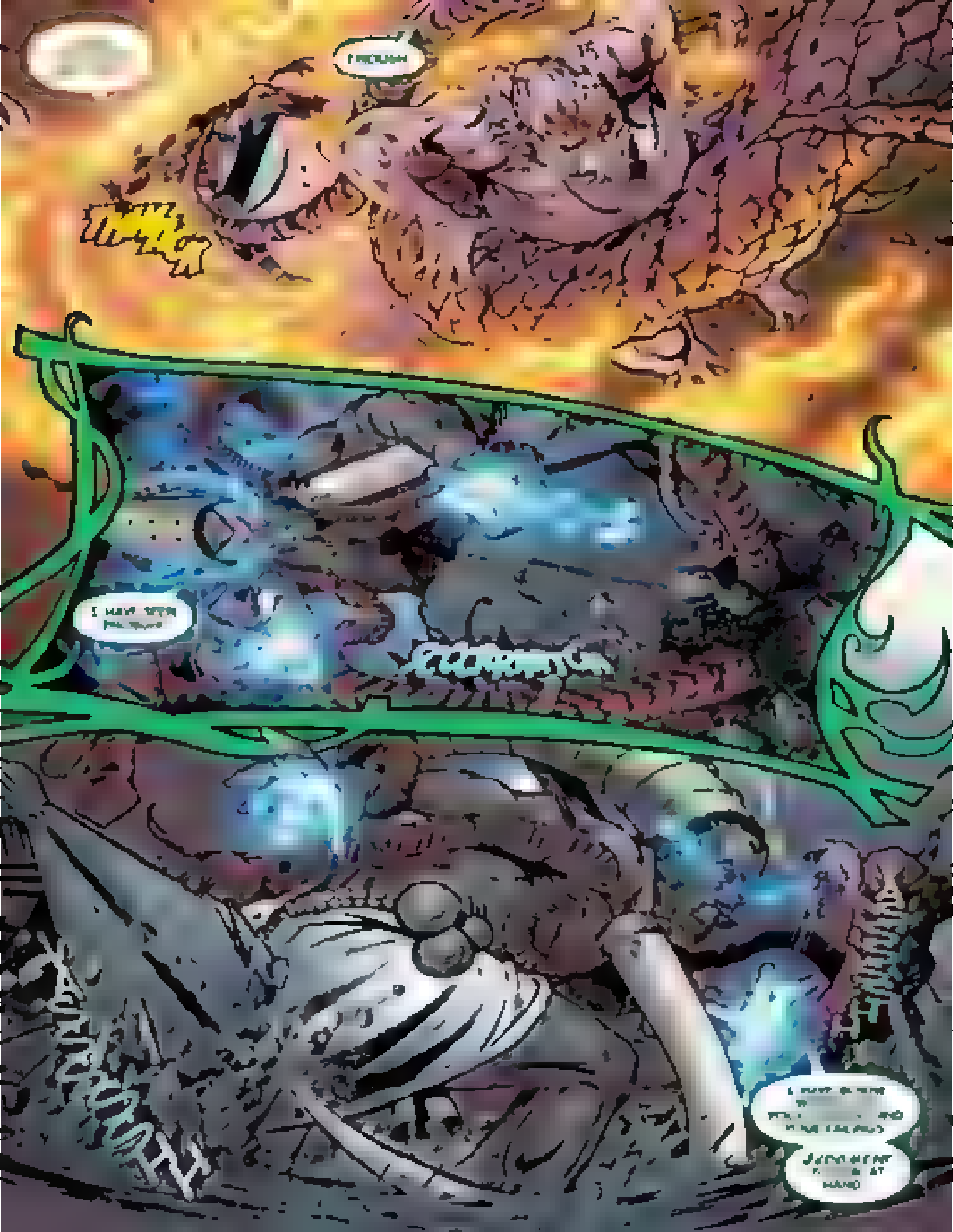
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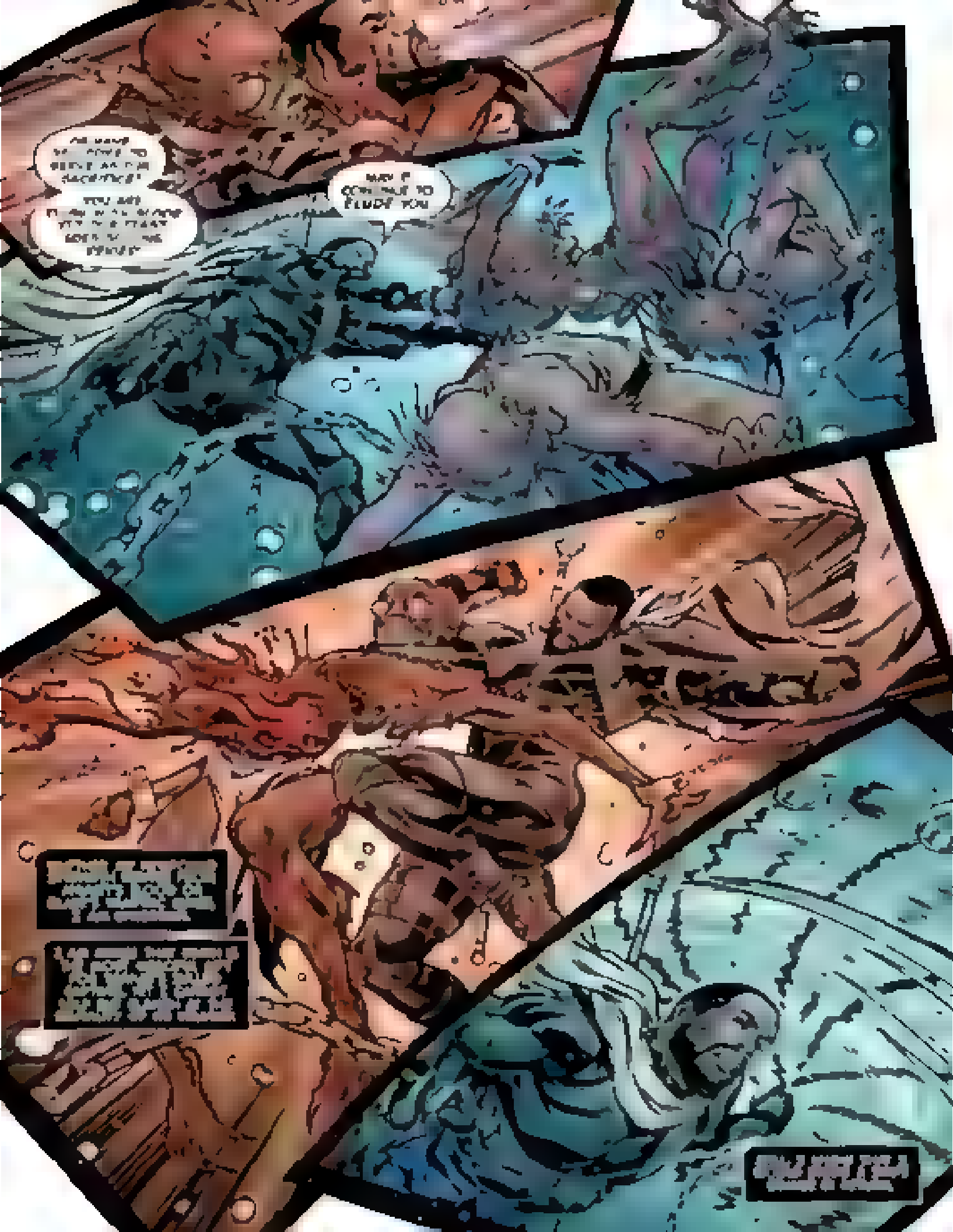
I RETURN

I HAVE SEEN
THE LIGHT

I HAVE SEEN
THE LIGHT
AND
I HAVE FOUND
THE LIGHT

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THE LIGHT
AND
I HAVE FOUND
THE LIGHT





HE WANTS
TO KNOW
WHAT YOU
ARE DOING
HERE!

YOU ARE
TRYING TO
KILL ME!
I AM NOT
GOING TO
FORGET!

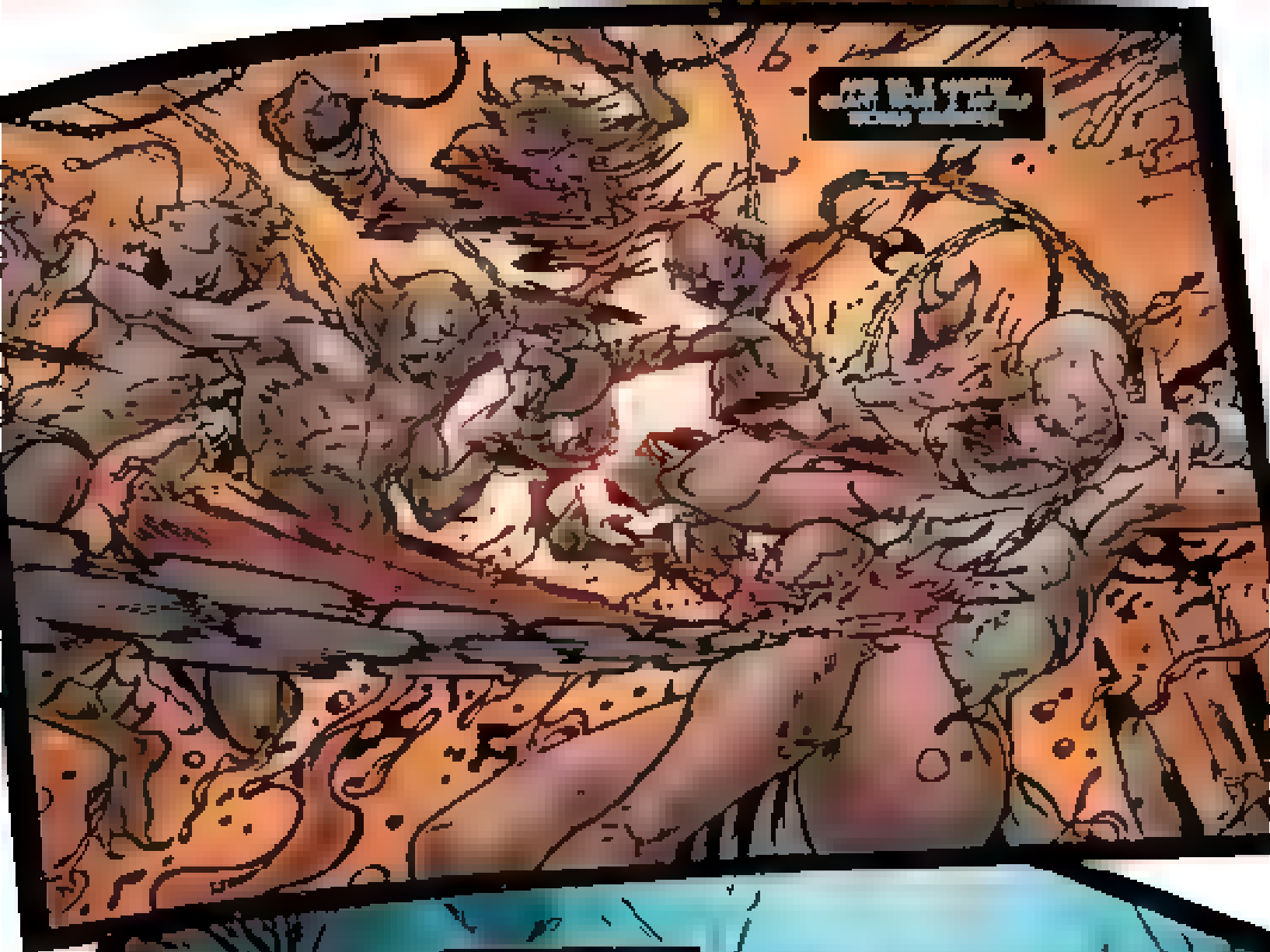
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DO YOU
WANT
TO
KILL
ME?

THE
KING
IS
DIEING
AND
YOU
ARE
HERE!

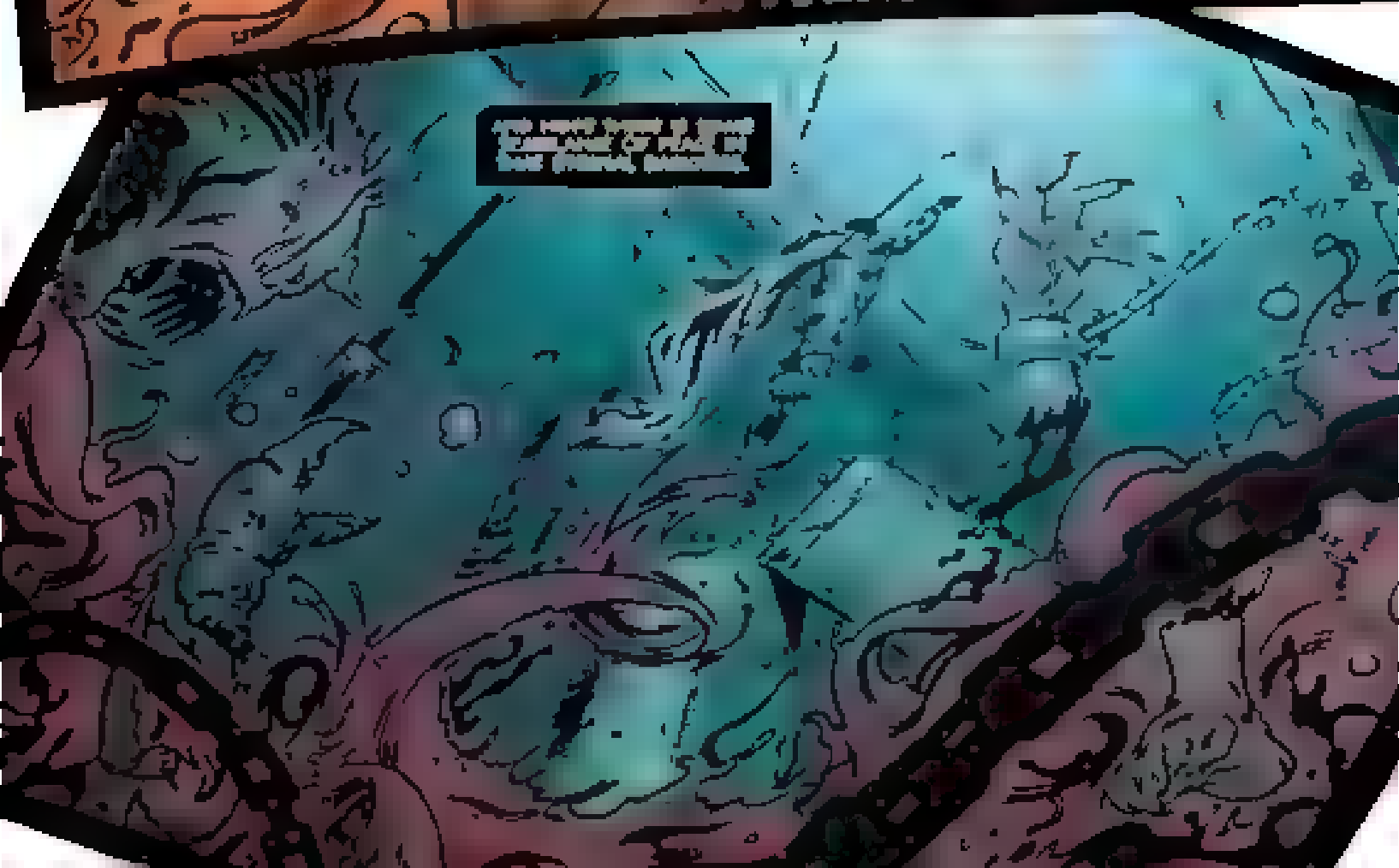
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AND
YOU
ARE
HERE!

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AND
YOU
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LOOK AT
WHAT YOU
HAVE DONE
KONQOM!

YOU WILL
SERVE AS A WARNING.
FOR YOU ARE NOW
BOUND TO
THIS LAND.

WARANDA
EONS AGO

A FITTING
PUNISHMENT!

AND
YOU AS WELL
DAST

ON WHOSE
AUTHORITY ESHUT
YOU ARE NOT OF
THE SHNEAD!

QUIET
NOW!

KHONSHU, YOUR
WILL IN INFESS TO ACT
IN SERVICE TO MANKIND
HAS BEEN NOTED YOU
ARE FREE TO GO

YOU DO
NOT DIRECT THE
FATE OF OUR FAMILY
ORISHAI!

WHOSE
JUDGMENT?

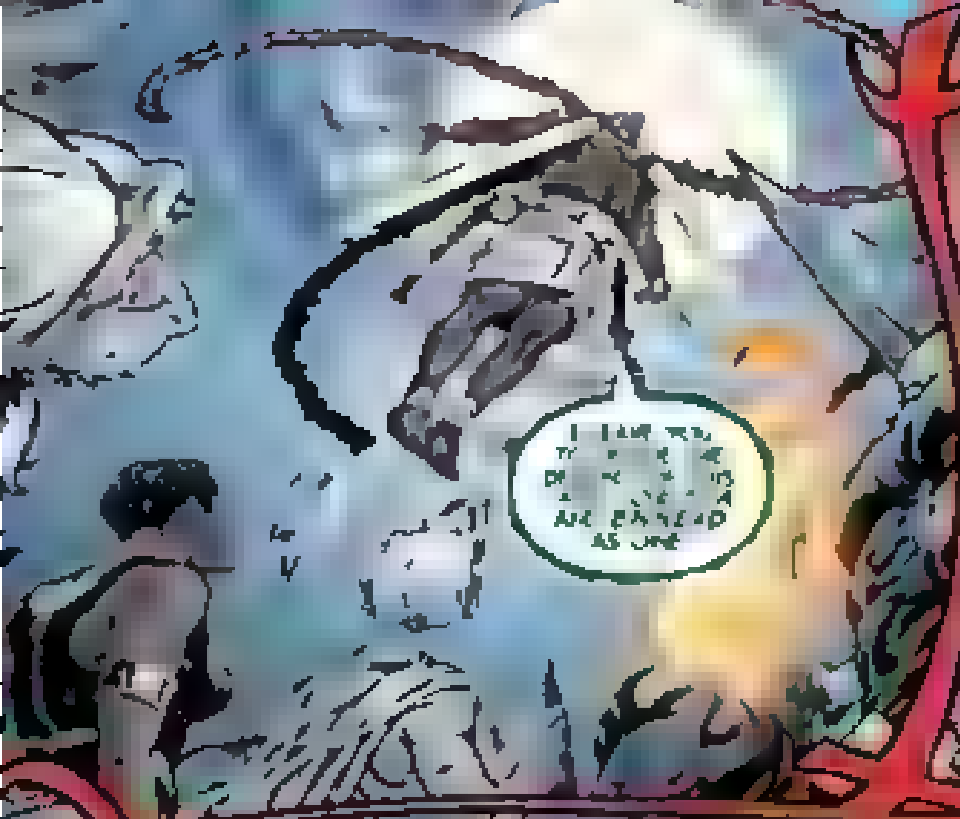
ENOUGH
ON
YOUR PART

A JUDGMENT
HAS BEEN MADE

AND YOU
STAY

I WILL STAY
UNLESS
THE
S
A
M
E
TH
DO
Y

A DEPTED YOU,
PRAH-LUKUN, GOD
OF TWO RINGS IRON
AND GOLD. I TELL NOW
BE IF THREE WALK
FREELY BUT BOUND TO
ALL HEARTS.



I TELL YOU
THESE
DEMONS
ARE
AHEAD
AS ONE

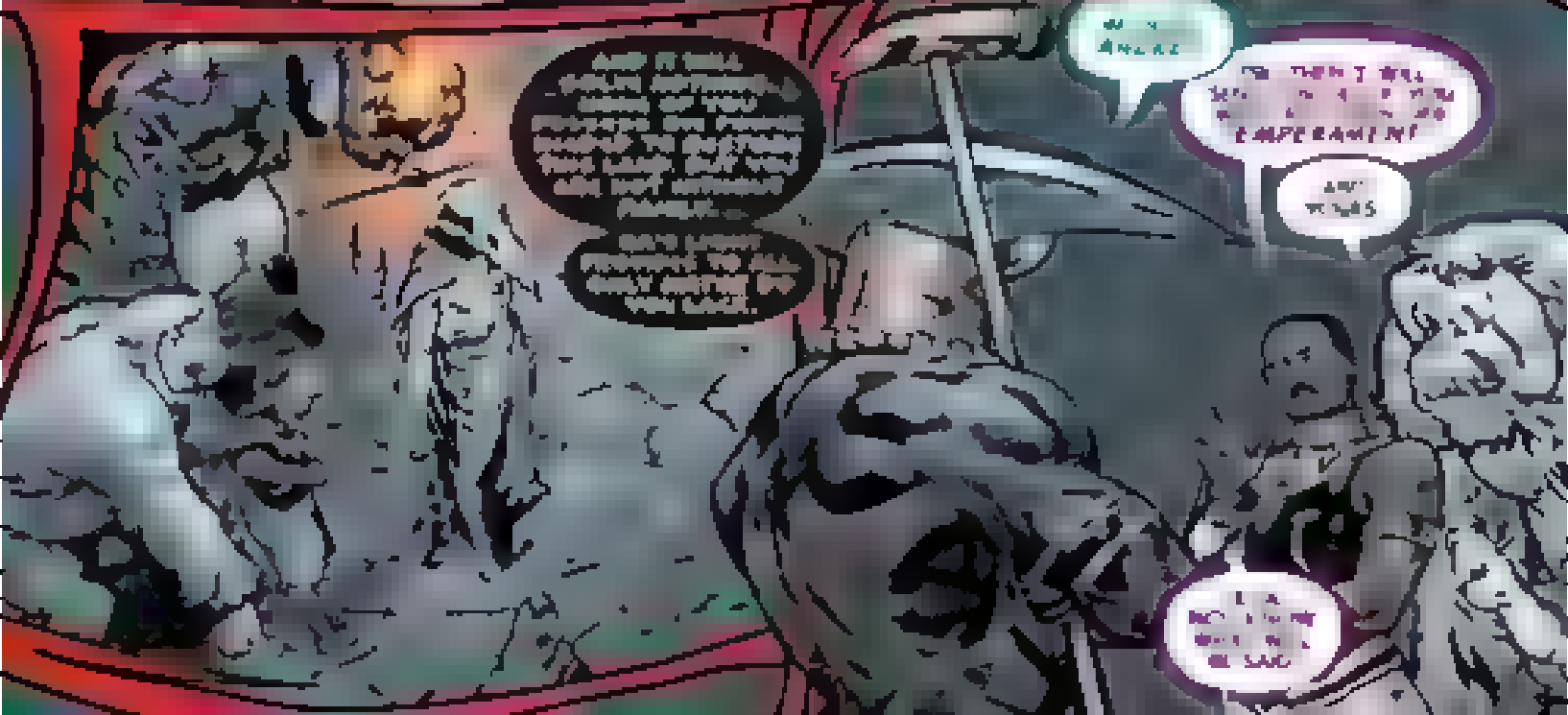


CURSE YOU
DEMON!
THE MONSTERS
WILL
FIGHT
AND
KILL
THE
MONSTERS



PLEASE!

WHEN
THE
MONSTERS
WILL
FIGHT
AND
KILL
THE
MONSTERS



AND IT WILL
BE
THE
MONSTERS
WILL
FIGHT
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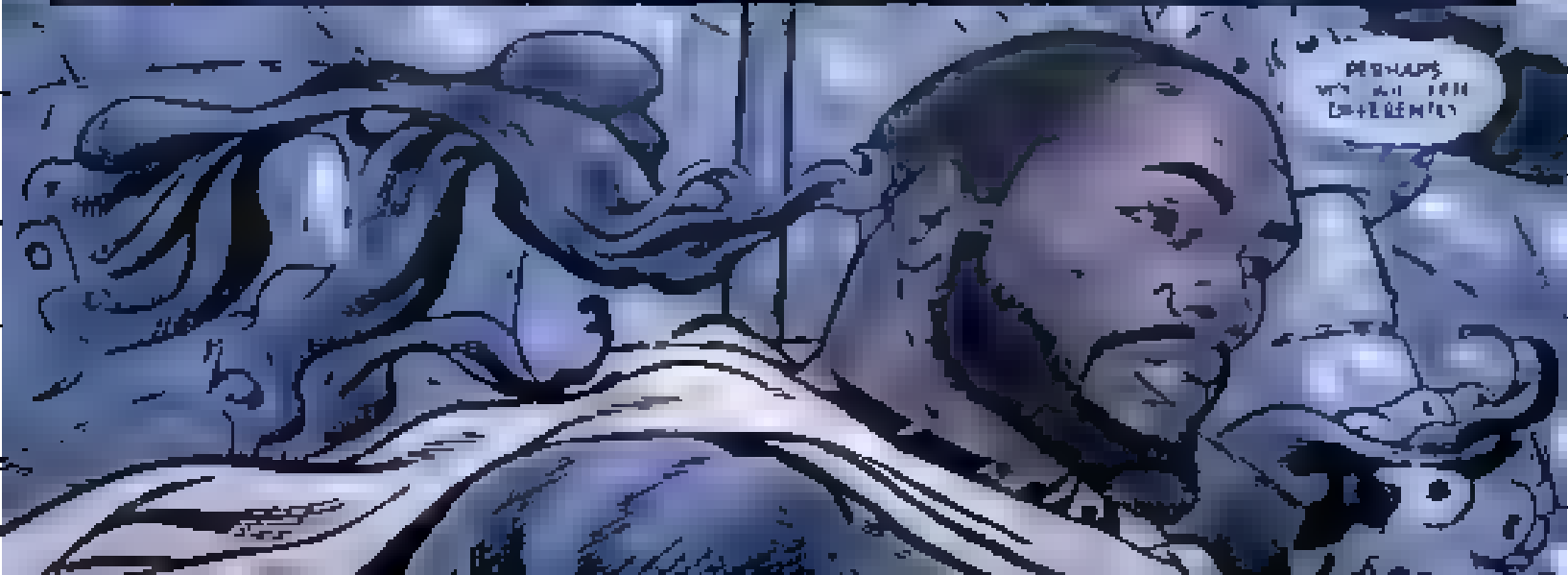
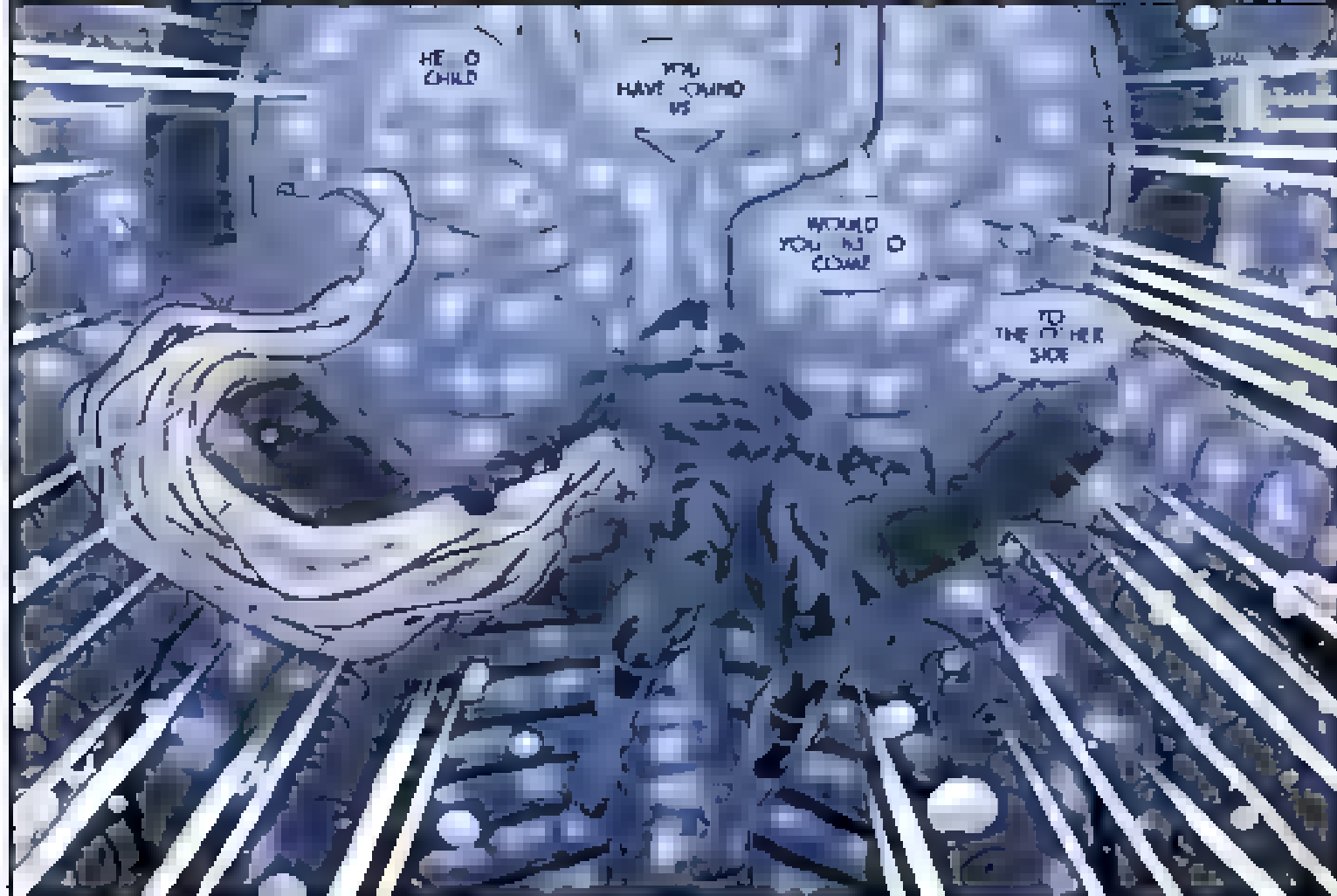
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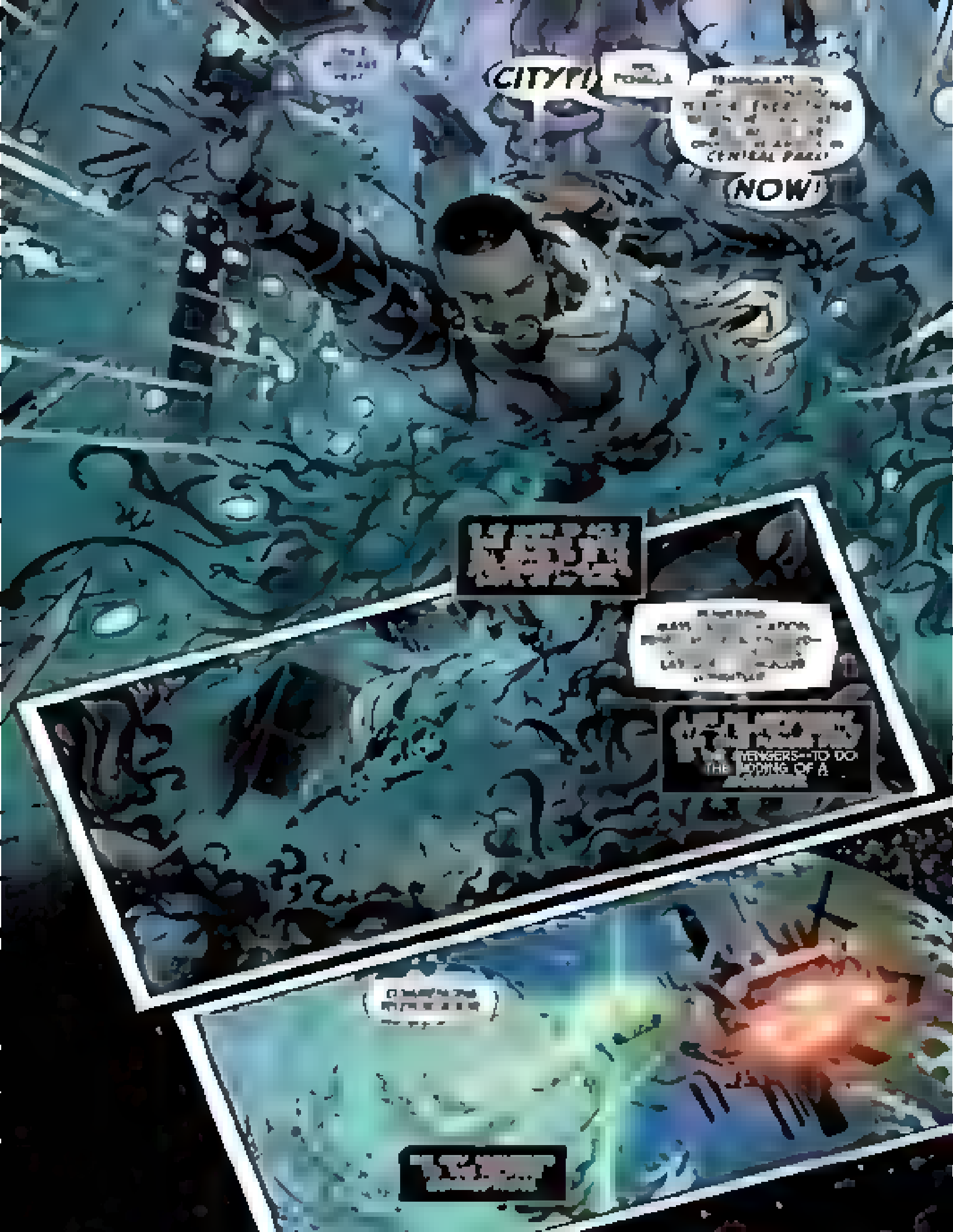
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(CITY)

POWERS

THESE ARE THE
THE FIRST IN THE
OF THE CITY
OF THE CITY
CENTRAL PARK

(NOW)


THESE ARE THE
THE FIRST IN THE
OF THE CITY

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I HAVE FULFILLED
BLADE'S WISH. THE
TEMPLE IS WITHIN
HIS GRASP




BUT THE CITY HAS
SOWN MY LAST ACT
OF DEFIANCE WITHIN
ITS DELIVERY.



I HAVE GIVEN BLADE
WHAT HE MOST
DESIRES—AS A WEAPON
FORMED AGAINST HIM.



MY ONLY HOPE IS THAT
WHAT HAS BEEN GRANTED
DESTROYS BLADE



AS IT HAS LIKELY
DESTROYED ME

THREE TIMES
I HAVE DONE YOUR
BIDDING, BAYI, AND
STILL I RECEIVE
NO THANKS!

I AM
GRATEFUL,
ATIMET.



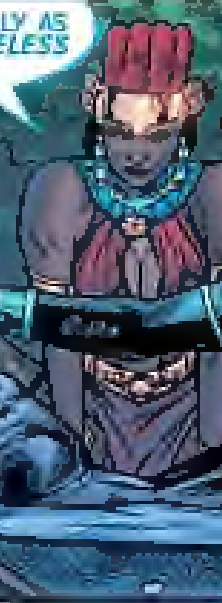
HAHAHA! WE
WILL SEE HOW
MUCH WHEN THE
SPOILS ARE TO
BE DIVVIED!

THERE WILL BE
NO SPOILS AS LONG
AS YARNAE'S TEMPLE
REMAINS! BUT I THANK
YOU FOR GIVING MY
CHAMPION THE
CHANCE TO
FIGHT AGAIN.



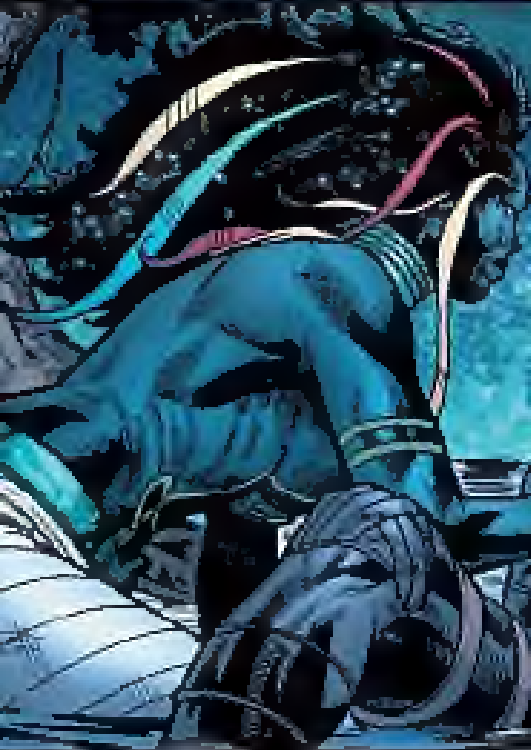
AM I
DEAD?

NO. OSIRIS IS NOT NEARLY AS
BEAUTIFUL NOR AS CARELESS
WITH HEARTS.



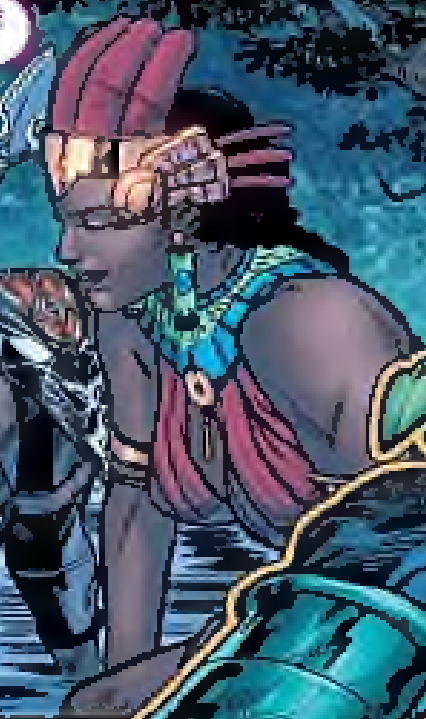
YOU ARE
HERE IN THE
LAND WHERE YOU
BELONG, T'CHALLA.
WAKANDA.

AND THERE
IS STILL MUCH
WORK TO BE DONE!
BOTH HERE
AND AFAR.



BUT FOR
NOW, WELCOME
BACK, MY
CHAMPION.

WELCOME
HOME.



END

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BLOOD HUNT

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